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In re application of:

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR CRYPTOGRAPHIC
CONVERSION IN A DATA
STORAGE SYSTEM

Customer No.: 20350

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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